

REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending in the above-identified application.

Restriction Requirement

Claims 1-30 have been subjected to a Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121 as follows:

Group I - claims 1-11, 14-20 and 22-26 directed to a polymeric antistatic agent and a composition thereof;

Group II - claims 12, 13 and 21 directed to a method of making an anti-static polymeric composition;

Group III - claims 27, 29 and 30 directed to a product and image-forming apparatus prepared from the composition of Group I; and

Group IV - claim 28 directed to rubber products prepared from the composition of Group I.

Election

In response to the above-noted Restriction Requirement, applicants hereby elect the claims of **Group I, i.e. claims 1-11, 14-20 and 22-26, without traverse.**

Conclusion

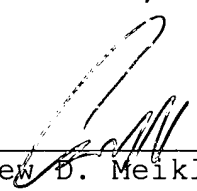
If any questions arise regarding the above matters, please contact Applicant's representative, Andrew D. Meikle (Reg. No. 32,868), in the Washington Metropolitan Area at the phone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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